



Meeting Minutes

MetroPlan & Mountain Line

Coordinated Mobility Council

Friday, February 18, 2022 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Zoom Meeting (virtual only)

Zoom Link, passcode 186720. Please email Estella Hollander, ehollander@naipta.az.gov, if you need Zoom log-in information.

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1. Call to order (10:00 am)

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am

2. Welcome by Jamie Martinez, Chair

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3. Zoom and meeting expectations

Estella Hollander covered some key aspects of zoom

4. Safety Moment

Estella Hollander provided a safety moment on Seatbelt use. Statistics state that 1 in 7 people do not wear a seatbelt.

5. Roll call and introductions

Estella Hollander, David Wessel, Mandia Gonzales, Ann Hergatt Huffman, Bizzy Collins, Martin Ince, Jamie Martinez, Michele Eisenberg, Brody Smith, Kristin Pavlik, Kevin Parks, Jamey Hasapis, Carol Mandino, Lorraine Crim, Lisa Connor, and Andrew Harvey.

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6. Call to the public

No public comments were offered.

7. Minutes from previous meetings (10:15 am)

<u>August 20, 2021 minutes:</u> Motion to approve minutes by Kristin Pavlik, seconded by Jamey Hasapis. Unanimously approved.

<u>November 19, 2021 minutes</u>: Motion to approve minutes by Carol Mandino, seconded by Martin Ince. Unanimously approved.

8. Inclusion and Adaptive Living Commission Update (10:15 am)

Jamie Martinez provided an update on the Inclusion and Adaptive Living Commission. Feb 22nd is the next meeting for the commission. Meetings are held every 4th Tuesday of the month. There are currently two spots open on the commission. Jamie encourages attendance at the commission meetings and to consider applying to become part of the commission.

General City boards and commissions page: https://www.flagstaff.az.gov/994/Boards-Commissions

The Commission is working with the Flagstaff Police Department to ensure proper training is conducted in regard to interacting with folks with different developmental disabilities. This includes sensitivity training and more. Update to be provided in future meetings.

The Commission is also working with the City's HR Department regarding their hiring practices in an effort to improve universally accessible jobs and opportunities.

The Commission is working with the Flagstaff Library to ensure the entrances to the library are fully accessible to folks with developmental disabilities.

Martin Ince, City of Flagstaff, provided an update on grant awards for FUTS improvements. The award was granted to the City to improve accessibilities at Buffalo Park. This includes improving the parking lot, entry, and surface of trails. The City's Parks Department will lead these upgrades with an estimated start date of Spring 2022.

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9. **Stride Forward, the Regional Transportation Plan Presentation (10:30 am)**David Wessel, MetroPlan, provided a PowerPoint presentation on Stride Forward (Regional Transportation Plan, 2045).

- The Stride Forward plan is a 25-year transportation plan to meet the community's future transportation objectives. Stride Forward looks at the linkages between environmental and economic development objectives.
- Looking to define "the finest transportation system in the Country"
- Stride Forward is one of many plans completed or underway in the region.
- Schedule: Currently halfway through the process. Will finalize the plan in October 2022, with the adoption of the final plan by the MetroPlan Executive Board before the end of the year.
- Two planning scenarios Onward and Upward.
- To learn more, visit the Stride Forward website at: https://www.metroplanflg.org/strideforward

David Wessel asked the committee "Where is the finest transportation system you've experienced?" and "What is the most important question we can answer for you through Stride Forward"

Flagstaff in Motion, A Community Transit Plan Presentation (10:50 am) Presentation by Bizzy Collins, Transit Planner with Mountain Line

Bizzy Collins, Mountain Line, provided a PowerPoint presentation on Flagstaff in Motion. Content included a project overview and status, needs assessment, and improvements and scenarios.

Currently in stage 3 – establish evaluation criteria, develop transit scenarios, and participate in Citizen Advisory Committee meeting #3.

Public Feedback: Expand coverage outside of city limits. Reducing wait time and increasing bus frequency. Improved connectivity between routes. Increase weekend and weekday services (later and/or earlier service times). Roadway improvements to support walking and biking to bus stops. Bus stop amenities such as seating, lights, and Wi-Fi.

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Needs Assessment looked at equity, population, and employment. Future growth is also identified through the assessment. The Assessment combines routes and neighborhoods into one prioritized list of potential solutions.

Improvements Scenarios (High-level draft):

- 1. Fixed Route and Microtransit
- 2. Microtransit
- 3. Fixed Route and Capital Improvements

Next steps:

- Public Involvement
- Cost estimates for each scenario
- Recommended scenario(s)

11. Coordinated Transportation Plan Approval and Update (11:10 am)

Estella Hollander, Mountain Line, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Coordinated Transportation Plan. This plan is updated every 4 years. This year (2022) is a minor update. In 2023 a major update will be undertaken.

Plan Purpose: Provides a framework to improve coordination among transportation services and meets federal requirements.

<u>Motion</u> by Jamey Hasapis to approve the Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Plan for 2022, seconded by Carole Mandino. Unanimously approved.

12. Community Transportation Association of America (CTAA) Mobility On-Demand (MOD) grant (11:20)

Estella Hollander provided a PowerPoint presentation on CTAA microtransit pilot update. This program is grant-funded until June 2022. There are internal conversations on how to continue service of Mountain Line GO. Currently, microtransit is only provided around Huntington and Industrial Corridor.

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Next steps:

- Outreach to organizations in the corridor
- Boost app usage
- Satisfaction survey in March
- Evaluation

Mountain Line will be testing microtransit to access the Airport in March 2022. People can get picked up/dropped off anywhere in city limits. This will be a pilot program.

13. Upcoming trainings (11:45)

No training requests or upcoming trainings were discussed.

14. News and updates from CMC members (11:50)

Martin Ince — City is preparing the Capital Improvement Program. Currently deciding on what projects to build with the first-mile/last-mile grant. The City has some potential projects identified. The City will meet with Mountain Line to review and recommend projects to support biking and walking to transit stops. More information to come.

Carole Mandino – Annual Sip and Stroll scheduled for Sunday, August 14^{th,} 2022. Ticket sales support women and children.

Jamey Hasapis – Taste of Flagstaff, March 25, 2022. Ticket sales support victims of abuse.

15. Future agenda items (11:55)

No agenda items were presented.

Next meeting is schedule for May 20th, 2022.

16. **Adjournment (12:00 pm)**

Meeting adjourned at 12:06

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The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing notice was duly posted at _Mountain Line on, at approximately a.m./p.m. in accordance with the statement filed by the Clerk of the Board with NAIPTA.
Dated this day of, 2022.
ATTEST:
Estella Hollander, Mobility Planner